Attorney Docket No.: 2307AA-031220US I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 202 TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE M. Tung Examiner: In re application of: 1644 Art Unit: Steinunn Baekkeskov et al. **AMENDMENT** Application No.: 08/838,486 Filed: April 7, 1997 For: IMPROVED METHODS FOR THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF **DIABETES** Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 In response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2000, please amend the above-Sir: identified application as follows: IN THE CLAIM Please add the following claims: 35. (Twice amended) A composition comprising glutamic acid decarboxylase in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier for parenteral administration to a human patient. Please add the following new claims: 62. A method of preventing or inhibiting the development of insulin dependent diabetes, wherein said method comprises administering to a patient at least 99% w/w pure 01/12/2001 BHGUYE 1 00000020 201430 08838486 40.00 CH 01 FC:202